

Office of the President

January 4, 2023

Russell Gardner Automotive/Diesel

Dear Russell Gardner,

Thank you for all the work you put into completing your comprehensive program review. It has been reviewed by the College Planning Committee and the Executive Team. The College Planning Committee feedback is attached. Below, you will find comments, commendations, and recommendations from the Executive Team. These are provided for incorporation into your annual program planning processes. Typically, recommendations require planning improvements that will be implemented over time. Thus, in your subsequent annual mini-reviews, you'll want to provide updates on progress made towards addressing these recommendations.

Comments:

- The program identified their strengths as its community and manufacturer specific partnerships.
 Partnerships include, Toyota TTEN, Subaru University, and NC3. Diesel program strength includes its strong community presence and willingness to participate in the program/student growth.
- The program identified their main weakness as a struggle with training space. The majority of the education happens in a lab environment structured around a real world shop setting. Automotive has struggled to maintain an updated shop setting, and Diesel has yet to acquire a space on campus to train in. Diesel currently trains in a 3rd party shop off campus.
- In the past 5 years Automotive/Diesel course success rates are at the highest point, with ACE at 85.7% and Diesel at 88.2%. This is in contrast to VC overall success rates showing a steady to sharp decline over the past 5 years and landing at its lowest point of 73.6%.

Commendations:

1. This program aligns well with the VC Educational Master Plan, specifically supporting goals (2) Increase our community's access to transfer, workforce preparation, and basic skills education; and (3) Strengthen local/regional partnerships and community engagement.

- 2. Provides state of the art facilities, allowing students to earn industry certifications and gain employment after graduation.
- 3. During the pandemic, the program leveraged technology to allow the program to continue and has integrated some of those changes ongoing as program improvements.

Recommendations

- 1. Continue to update equipment to maintain currency within the industries.
- 2. Complete the designated space for the Diesel Program allowing for additional lab space, including evening and weekend classes.
- 3. Increase opportunities for internships to align with stackable certificates.
- 4. Seek and acquire NATEF accreditation.

CPC's overall recommendation is to strengthen the program to which I concur. Thank you again for your dedicated work in improving outcomes for our students.

Sincerely,

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Q2 - What is this program doing well?

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COVID may have caused the program to halt since the program primarily is a lab. However, it looks like the program has picked up and enrollment has increased to capacity.

These two programs do a great job of training students for employment.

Leveraging technology during the pandemic.

Provides students with industry certifications and allows students to gain employment after graduation

Providing up to date environment to train our automotive students for industry-specific certifications and employment.

Partnerships with Toyota, Subaru, and Gibbs for manufacturer certifications Paid internships for students Accredited through ASE

The program is doing well in meeting student's needs and expectations.

Meeting student needs and offering state of the art facilities

Q3 - What could this program improve upon?

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space/facilities Perhaps idea for the future to engage in the electric car or EV car program.

If the two programs could share resources both programs could benefit.

They are doing great. Just need to keep up with their T-10 certification requirements.

Needs to stabilize enrollment and better equipment

Continual updating of equipment to maintain currency. Identify a space for future diesel program-on-site instead of the current offsite location.

Need updated lab space that mirrors industry Campus space for Diesel Program Increase opportunities for internships to align with stackable certificates

Updated lab equipment.

To further update the needed areas with more modern equipment

Q6 - How well do the program's objectives align with the VC Educational Master Plan?

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Very much aligned for student success

They align well

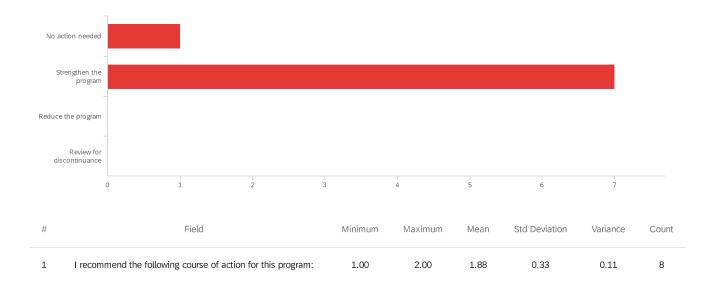
Fits very well

Very strong support of Goal 2: Increase our community's access to transfer, workforce preparation, and basic skills education

Aligns with 2. Increase our community's access to transfer, workforce preparation, and basic skills education. 3. Strengthen local/regional partnerships and community engagement.

The program's objective aligns well.

Q8 - I recommend the following course of action for this program:



#	Field	Choice Count
1	No action needed	12.50% 1
2	Strengthen the program	87.50% 7
3	Reduce the program	0.00% 0
4	Review for discontinuance	0.00% 0

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